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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner : Nirmal Singh Basi  
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Title : MAMMAL NEURONAL ACID  
: SENSING CATIONIC CHANNEL,  
: CLONING AND APPLICATIONS  
: THEREOF

Customer No.: 035811

Docket: 1099-00

Confirmation No.: 5113

Dated: May 17, 2004

**CLAIM OF EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RESPONSE**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, hereby respectfully claim a three (3) month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) extending the time for Response to the outstanding Official Action dated November 17, 2003 from February 17, 2004 to May 17, 2004

A check in the amount of \$475.00 is being submitted herewith pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b).

Confirmation of the foregoing Extension of Time is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2719. A duplicate copy of this claim is enclosed.

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